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ANTIMICROBIAL SUSCEPTIBILITY

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents BOX RCE Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated June 15, 2001, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant has enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.